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RE: Docket No. AB-55 (Sub-No. 634X), CSX Transportation, Inc.— Abandonment Exemption—in Monroe County, IN

Dear Secretary Williams:

The City of Bloomington, acting by and through its Redevelopment Commission ("Bloomington") requested a notice of interim trail use/rail banking for approximately 2.95 miles of a line of railroad, in CSXT's Western Region, Great Lakes Division, extending from milepost 00Q-219.55 to milepost 00Q-222.50, in Bloomington, Monroe County, IN, in the above-entitled proceeding. The current extension of the negotiating period expires on October 11, 2004. CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSXT") has not consummated the abandonment, has been unable to finalize negotiations with Bloomington, and desires to continue to negotiate for interim trail use/rail banking with Bloomington. Therefore, CSXT respectfully requests the Board to grant a six month extension of time to April 11, 2005 to negotiate trail use with Bloomington. Additionally, CSXT respectfully requests an extension of the date to consummate the abandonment to June 11, 2005.

Enclosed are the original and 10 copies of this letter, and a filing fee of \$300. Please time and date stamp the additional copy of this letter and return it with our messenger. Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions please call or email me.

Sincerely yours

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